BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1997-300-C - ORDER NO. 2007-84

FEBRUARY 12, 2007

IN RE:	Application of US LEC of South Carolina, Inc.)	ORDER GRANTING
	for a Certificate of Public Convenience and)	CONFIDENTIALITY
	Necessity to Provide Local)	
	Telecommunications Services and Intrastate)	
	Interexchange Telecommunications Services)	
	Statewide.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of US LEC of South Carolina, Inc. (US LEC or the Company) for confidential treatment of the Company's Fourth Quarter Service Report for 2006. The Company represents that the information contained in the Report is subject to substantial procedures to maintain its secrecy, including limiting access to the Report within the Company and requiring any outside parties who are granted access to the information to sign confidentiality agreements. Further, the Company states that it derives economic value from the information not being known to or readily ascertainable by other parties. Since the Report contains proprietary and competitively sensitive information concerning various parameters measured by the Company, we grant the request for confidential treatment.

S.C. Code Ann. Section 30-4-40(a)(I) (Supp. 2006) states that a public body may exempt "trade secrets" from disclosure, which include materials containing references to

competitive information. Accordingly, we grant the request for confidential treatment in the present case. US LEC's Fourth Quarter Service Report for 2006 shall be maintained under seal and withheld from public disclosure.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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